

# HELM

## FINANCIAL CORPORATION

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### VIA AIR COURIER

August 1, 1997

Mr. Vernon Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RECORDATION NO. 15543-A  
FILED  
AUG 4 '97 12-06 PM

RE: Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of July 11, 1997 by  
Helm Financial Corporation ("Lease Termination").

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording,  
under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the  
following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Lease  
Termination.

In connection with the recording of the Lease Termination, please note the  
following information:

Name and Address of Lessor: Helm Financial Corporation  
One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700  
San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee: Montana Rail Link  
201 International Way  
Missoula, MT 59807

Equipment: One (1), 3,000 horsepower, diesel-electric, GP40  
locomotive bearing the reporting mark and number  
HLC 3074.

Previous STB Filing: Memorandum of Locomotive Lease Agreement filed  
on March 22, 1988 at 10:55 a.m. under  
Recordation No. 15543.

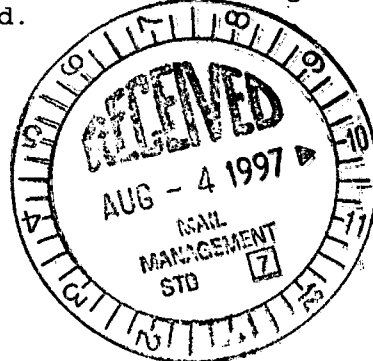
Please file the Lease Termination as a supplementary document and return one  
(1) endorsed original to my attention. A check covering the filing fee of  
twenty-four dollars (\$24.00) is enclosed.

Sincerely,

*P. Hapin*

Patrick Hapin  
Document Administrator

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Enclosures (2)



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Patrick Hopin  
Document Administrator  
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DATE: 8/4/97

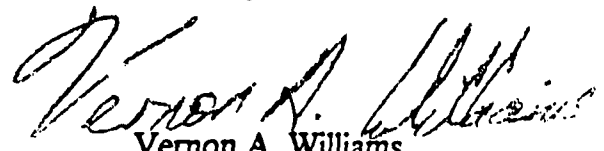
Dear Sir:

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 11301

and 49 CFR 1177.3 (c), on 7/4/97 at 12:00PM, and

assigned recordation number(s) 15531-A, 15543-A, 15622-C, 15663-C, 15712-A, 16526-A, 16668-E, 16738-B, 17011-A, 17466-B, 17564-B, 17605-A, 17606-B, 17904-A, 18287-A, 18391-A, 18472-B, 18474-A, 19328-A, 19472-A and 19528-A

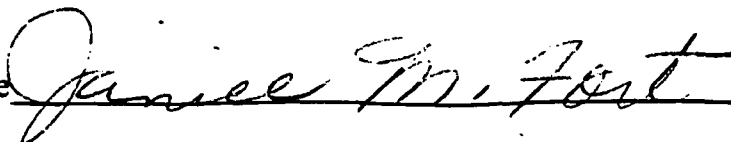
Sincerely Yours,

  
Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary

Enclosure(s)

\$ 504.00 The amount indicated at the left has been received in payment of a fee in connection with a document filed on the date shown. This receipt is issued for the amount paid. In the event of an error or any questions concerning this fee, you will receive a notification after the Surface Transportation Board has an opportunity to examine your document.

Signature



AUG 4 '97 12-06PM

## TERMINATION OF LEASE

THIS TERMINATION OF LOCOMOTIVE LEASE AGREEMENT ("Termination") is dated as of July 11, 1997 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. Recitals. Lessor entered into the Locomotive Lease Agreement dated as of January 6, 1988 ("Lease") with Montana Rail Link, a Montana corporation, with respect to the one (1), 3,000 horsepower, diesel-electric, GP40 locomotive bearing the reporting mark and number HLC 3074. The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") of the Department of Transportation (f.k.a. the Interstate Commerce Commission) under STB Recordation Number 15543 filed on March 22, 1988 at 10:55 a.m.

The Lease was terminated on June 10, 1988. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. Termination. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name as of the date first written above.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: 

Print Name: John F. Dains

Title: Senior Vice President & CFO

STATE OF CALIFORNIA                    )  
  ) S.S.  
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO            )

On July 24, 1997, before me, Patrick M. Hapin - Notary Public  
personally appeared John F. Dains, Senior Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer of HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION,

/ personally known to me -OR-

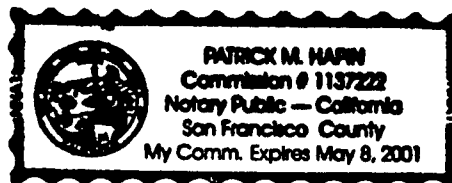
— proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s)  
whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and  
acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their  
authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on  
the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the  
person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Patrick M. Hapin

SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY

[NOTARIAL SEAL]



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